

December 12, 1963

Interrogation Begun At: 9:40 P.M.
Interrogation Terminated At: 1:35 A.M.
Dec. 13, 1963

Place of Interrogation: Dallas, Texas

STATEMENT OF: Samuel David Rubenstein
AKA: Samuel David Ruby
11616 Jamestown Road
Dallas, Texas

Telephone No.: EM 8-5003
Employed By: Mr. S. D. Dean
(owner of three Washaterias in Dallas)
(Mr. Ruby is employed as a repairman)

Wife's Name: Phyllis Faith Ruby
(Maiden Name: Kernes)
(Born in Chicago, Illinois)

Children: Three Boys, One Girl

Q. Mr. Ruby, have you ever been known by any other name?

A. Yes, Samuel David Rubenstein.

Q. Was your name changed legally?

A. Yes, in Chicago.

Q. Do you remember the year?

A. 1947 or 1948 in Chicago.

Q. Was it through State or Federal Court?

A. I do not recall, it must have been through State, my brother Earl helped me in this change.

Q. What is your age?

A. 51

Q. Date of birth?

A. December 29, 1912

Q. Where is your place of birth?

A. Chicago, Illinois.

Q. Were you a legitimate child?

A. Yes.

Q. What is the name of your mother and father?

A. Joseph Rubenstein and Fannie Rubenstein.

Q. What was your mother's maiden name?

A. I believe Turck.

Q. Were both of your parents of American birth?

A. No.

Q. Where were they born?

A. In Poland, both of them.

Q. Do you know what year they immigrated to the United States?

A. I do not know the year, my father was a member of the AFL Carpenters' Union in 1904.

Q. What is the first address that you remember as a child in Chicago?

A. I believe it was 1129 Sacramento Blvd., Chicago, Illinois.

Q. Do you remember the years you lived there?

A. Probably in 1927.

Q. Will you give me the full names of your brothers and sisters?

1. Hyman Rubenstein
Age: Approximately 61 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois

Q. Is he a full brother?

A. Yes.

Q. What is his current address?

A. He is single and lives with my sister in Chicago at 1044 Loyola, telephone no: SH 3-0904.

2. Ann Volpert
Age: 57 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois
Full Sister
Lives at: 1044 Loyola, Chicago, Illinois with her sister Marion.

3. Marion(ho.) Carroll
Age: 57 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois
Full Sister
Separated from husband whose name is Norman Carroll and I believe he is presently in the Veterans' Hospital, Chicago, Illinois.
1044 Loyola, Chicago, Illinois

4. Eva Grant

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Age: 55 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois
Full Sister
Lives at: 3929 Rowles, Dallas, Texas
Telephone No.: LA 6-6253
She is divorced.

5. Jack L. Ruby

6. Samuel David Ruby

Age: 51 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois

7. Earl R. Ruby

Age: 47 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois
Full Brother
Lives at: 29925 Woodland Drive
Southfield, Michigan
Telephone No.: 355-00710 area code 313
He is married and wife's name is Margie.

8. Mileen Karinsky

Age: 47 years
Place of birth: Chicago, Illinois
Full Sister
Lives at: 6704 N. Talman, Chicago, Illinois
Telephone No.: HO 5-3030
Husband's name: Harold

Q. Are your mother and father still living?

A. No.

Q. Did you live in Chicago and were you closely associated with your brother Jack?

A. Yes, we were in business for a short time. Jack, Earl and I were in a small manufacturing concern. "The Earl Products Company".

Q. Do you recall the address of this business?

A. It was on Cicero Avenue, I believe it is 221 N. Cicero, Chicago, Illinois.

Q. I was in it after I got out of the service, from 1946 until 1955 when I sold out to my brother Earl. Jack was in it in 1946 and 1947 when he sold out to Earl and myself, and Jack was a good salesman too.

Q. What products did you manufacture?

A. We manufactured advertising specialty products with names imprinted on them.

Q. Mr. Ruby, were you ever a member of a labor union?

A. No, I was not. I never did join.

Q. Are you a member of any organization of any kind or nature at this time other than a church?

A. No.

Q. During the entire course of your life have you ever been a member of any organization in any city, other than a church?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever been a member of the Communist Party?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever donated or contributed anything of value to any Communist or Communist front organization?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever contributed funds to any organization other than a church or the American Red Cross, Community Chest, etc.?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever made any political contribution of any kind?

A. No.

Q. Are any of your brothers or sisters to the best of your knowledge or belief members of the Communist Party or other subversive organizations?

A. No, they are not.

Q. To the best of your knowledge and belief have any of your sisters or brothers ever belonged to any organization, that at the time or later they believed to be political organization?

A. My brother Hyman was a member of the Democratic Party in Chicago.

Q. Were any of your brothers or sisters members of labor unions to the best of your memory?

A. My brother Jack was.

Q. Do you remember the name of this Union?

A. It was the Scraphandlers Union but I do not recall the number of the local.

Q. Do you have any reason to believe that this union was subversive in any respect?

A. No.

Q. Do you believe in the American Government?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. Do you consider yourself a loyal American citizen?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. Have you ever expressed to anyone sympathies for Russia or any Communist Country?

A. Never.

Q. Other than your tour of duty with the armed forces in the U.S., have you ever traveled outside of the continental of the U.S.?

A. Yes, I did one time when I went to Juarez in the year 1955.

Q. What was the purpose of this visit?

A. I was going to visit my wife in Phoenix, Arizona, and we went across the border on our way to Arizona.

Q. Was anyone with you?

A. Yes, a salesman named Oscar Burns of Chicago, Illinois who was employed with Anson Tool Works of Chicago.

Q. And who else?

A. Nobody else.

Q. Is this the only occasion when you were outside of the continental U.S.?

A. Yes.

Q. Have any of your brothers or sisters to the best of your knowledge travelled outside of the U.S. beside your brother Jack?

A. My brother Earl while in the Navy was stationed in the Aleutians.

Q. Anybody else?

A. That is all that I recall.

Q. Did you know Lee Harvey Oswald?

A. No.

Q. Had you ever seen or heard of this man prior to the shooting of the President of the United States?

A. No.

Q. Do you recognise the photograph I show you now?

A. Yes, I do.

Q. Will you tell me who this is in the photo that I show you now?

A. Lee Harvey Oswald.

Q. And how do you know that it is Lee Harvey Oswald?

A. I have seen him on T.V. and his pictures in the newspapers.

(Mr. Ruby a picture of Lee Harvey Oswald taken from the newspaper and the above responses were drawn.)

Q. Do you visit the Carousel Club very often?

A. No, I do not.

Q. Do you recall hearing your brother mention Mr. Oswald prior to the shooting of the President?

A. No.

Q. Did you ever see your brother in the company of anyone who even vaguely resembled Mr. Oswald?

A. No.

Q. Did you know for a fact that your brother Jack visited the country of Cuba?

A. No, I did not until the FBI told me.

Q. He never mentioned this to you at all.

A. No.

Q. Do you recall ever hearing your brother Jack make any reference of a derogatory nature against the U.S.?

A. No.

Q. Did you ever hear your brother Jack make any favorable statements regarding the U.S.?

A. No, I did not.

Q. Have you ever had reason to believe that your brother Jack was not a loyal citizen of the U.S.?

A. No.

Q. Was your brother Jack in the habit of displaying the American Flag or any other patriotic symbols during National Holidays?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever heard your brother Jack make any statements regarding the former President Kennedy?

A. No.

Q. Are you a part owner in the organization known as the S & R Corporation?

A. Without my knowledge I was made a member of this corporation by my brother Jack. At this time Jack owed me a sum of money amounting to approximately \$2,000.00 and I feel that I was included in the corporation as an effort on his part to secure this debt in my favor.

Q. Do you know the name of the other man in this corporation besides your brother Jack and yourself?

A. Yes, Ralph Paul.

Q. Do you know a man named Jack Chambliss?

A. No.

Q. Do you know a man named Artie Wayne?

A. Yes.

Q. And how do you know Artie Wayne?

A. I went to school with him in Chicago in about the third or fourth grade.

Q. Did your brother Jack ever have any trouble with Artie Wayne?

A. Not that I know of.

Q. Did your brother Jack ever introduce you to any Spanish speaking people?

A. No.

Q. Elaborating on this question further, were you ever introduced by your brother Jack to any persons who might have been of Spanish or Cuban origin?

A. No.

Q. Did your brother Jack ever associate with any foreign born persons to the best of your knowledge?

A. No.

Q. Does your brother Jack speak Polish?

A. No.

Q. Does your brother Jack speak any foreign languages?

A. No.

Q. Does your brother Jack use intoxicating beverages?

A. No.

Q. Does your brother Jack use narcotics?

A. No.

Q. Has your brother Jack ever been involved in any illegal activities as far as you know?

A. No.

Q. Has your brother Jack ever been married?

A. No.

Q. To the best of your knowledge has your brother Jack kept a mistress?

A. No.

Q. Has your brother Jack ever been injured to the best of your knowledge?

A. I understand a finger was bitten off in his lounge by an intoxicated person.

Q. Was he ever hurt in any other way to the best of your knowledge?

A. Not that I know of.

Q. Has your brother Jack complained frequently of headaches or other physical ailments?

A. No.

Q. Would you describe your brother's temperament as "explosive"?

A. No.

Q. Have you known him to be quick tempered?

A. Yes.

Q. Would you describe Jack as highly impulsive?

A. Yes.

Q. Would you describe your reasons for this being true?

A. Ever since Jack was a child he was quick to use his fists to settle an argument and would not apply reason or diplomacy to resolve his differences with other persons.

(At this point Mr. Ruby volunteered information that his brother Jack had borrowed \$5,500.00 from him in the year 1955, for the purpose of paying off a Federal Tax deficit.) "In the year 1956, I asked for my money back and could not reach an agreement with my brother Jack regarding the money. Following this in either 1956 or 1957 I brought suit against my brother Jack for the aforementioned sum and took a judgement in a civil court in Dallas, Texas. My sister Marion also loaned my brother Jack money and I believe the amount was \$5,000.00 but I do not remember the year."

Q. Mr. Ruby would you submit to a polygraph examination to any and all questions asked in this statement and any other questions I might decide to ask you in the future?

A. Yes.

Q. Mr. Ruby do you know the names of any close friends of your brother other than Ralph Paul?

A. No, I do not.

Q. Can you give me the names of any of his associates?

A. Red Weistrod, Dallas, Texas, Sam Lasser, Dallas, Texas

Q. Anybody else?

A. I told the FBI years ago Jack knew in Chicago a Sam Gordon. The last I heard he was residing in San Francisco. Andrian High is another one, and he is from Oklahoma but I do not know the city but probably Mr. Lasser can furnish his address.

Q. Did you talk to your brother Jack any time during the week preceding the death of President Kennedy?

A. No.

Q. Did your brother Jack at any time discuss President Kennedy's announced visit to

A. No.

Q. Did your brother Jack talk with you after the death of President Kennedy?

A. No, he did not.

Q. Do you recall the last time you saw your brother Jack prior to the shooting of Lee Harvey Oswald?

A. Yes, I was him on October 30, 1963, which was a Wednesday.

Q. Did you in anyway get the impression that your brother was ill or emotionally upset at this time?

A. No.

Q. Do you now believe that your brother Jack is insane?

A. No.

Q. Have you ever had occasion in the past to believe that your brother Jack was insane?

A. No.

Q. Do you believe that your brother Jack's fits of temper led him to a state of temporary insanity?

A. Yes.

Q. Have you heard other members of your family express this opinion?

A. Yes.

Q. Have you ever heard any of Jack's friends or associates express this opinion?

A. Yes, I believe Mr. Lessor and Mr. Weistred expressed that opinion on one occasion.

Q. How long have you lived in Dallas?

A. Since 1955. I came here from Chicago, before that I lived in Youngstown, Ohio, for three years.

Q. Have you ever been arrested?

A. No, I have no criminal record of any kind.

Q. Do you have any judgments against you?

A. No.

Q. Does your wife have a criminal record?

A. No.

Q. How long have you been married?

A. Since St. Patrick's Day, 1930.

Q. How old is your wife?

A. I believe that she is 37 years old.

Q. Is she of the Jewish faith?

A. Yes.

Q. What Synagogue do you attend?

A. Shearith Israel headed by Rabbi Silverman. (This congregation is of conservative leanings.)

Mr. Ruby volunteered the information that his brother Jack is the most religious of all the brothers and sisters in the family.

Q. Do any of your brothers or sisters have a police record to the best of your knowledge or belief?

A. No.

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